

Verboten, Verrucht, Verpönt. Deviance, Crime and the Illicit in Global German History

July 7-8, 2022
University of Erfurt

Day 1

10:15 – 10:30

Welcoming Remarks

10:30 – 13:00

Panel 1: Illicit Colonial Knowledge Practices

Gustav Fritsch. Three-Color Photography & Human Remains in Imperial Germany

Hanin Hannouch (Weltmuseum Wien)

“Ich danke auf’s Verbindlichste für diese wundervolle Gabe”. The Commercialization of Indigenous Bodies and Academic Prestige

Diego Ballester (Universität Bonn)

Tracing Networks of Exchange. Rudolf Virchow and the system of reciprocity

Anna Szöke (Humboldt Universität Berlin)

Comment: Lora Wildenthal (Rice University)

13:00 – 14:30

Lunch Break

14:30 – 18:30

Panel 2: Illicit Markets

Bright Colors and Dark Dealings on a Grey Market. The (il)licit Global Art & Antiquities Trade in Germany (1890-1945)

Paul Franke (University of Marburg/Centre Marc Bloch)

Illegal Cars and Harbored Combatants. West Germany, Southern Rhodesia, and the Outsourcing of the Illicit

David Spreen (Harvard University)

Criminalized Economies. West Berlin, East Germany and Polish Traders in the late 1980s

Andrew Tompkins (University of Sheffield/University of Erfurt)

“What else could I do?”. The Case of Undocumented Vietnamese Men Selling Contraband Cigarettes in Berlin

Trang Nguyen (Max Weber Kolleg, University of Erfurt)

Comment: Carolyn Taratko (University of Erfurt)

18:30

Conference Dinner

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Day 2

9:30 – 12:00

Panel 3: ‘Problematic’ ‘Communities’

Criminalizing a Colony’s Future. Boer and British Traders in German Southwest Africa, 1884-1894

Yves Schmitz (University of Duisburg-Essen)

‘To Save Poles from further Moral and Physical Degeneration’. ‘Deviancy’ and ‘Morality’ in Polish displaced persons camps in post-war Germany

Samantha K. Knapton (University of East Anglia)

“Two Fathers and Train Drivers in Skirts. ‘Importing Identities’ and Trans Moral Panics in the West German Press in the 1970s

Bodie Ashton (University of Erfurt)

Comment: Isabella Löhr (Centre Marc Bloch)

12:00 – 13:15

Lunch Break

13:15 – 16:00

Panel 4: Transnational Networks and Policed Spaces

A Humanitarian Menace and Lucrative Business. Imperial Germany, the Arms Trade and the Competing Geographies of Prohibition and Profit in Africa and the Middle East

Ned Richardson-Little (University of Erfurt)

Immoral Houses, Dangerous Ports, Suspicious Networks. Policing Places and Spaces of the Sex Trade between France and Germany, 1900-1935

Sarah Frenking (University of Erfurt/Centre Marc Bloch)

Female Police Units and the Policing of Prostitution and Trafficking in Interwar Poland and the Free City of Danzig

Elisabeth Janik-Freis (Ruhr-University Bochum/Center for Research on Antisemitism, TU Berlin)

Criminal or ‘necessary evil’? Using Migration Policies to Control Commercial Sex in Hamburg and Cologne, 1960s-1980s.

Annalisa Martin (Birkbeck, University of London)

Comment: Julia Roos (University of Indiana)

16:00

Concluding Remarks



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